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Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A device for dispensing and analyzing a uniform volume of a liquid sample comprising:

(a) a sample well for receiving a portion of said liquid sample;

(b) a hydrophilic capillary passageway communicating with said sample well of (a) for receiving said liquid from said sample well by capillary action, said passageway including a segment defining said uniform volume of said liquid sample, said segment being disposed between two vents from said passageway to the atmosphere, said segment in liquid communication with a transfer hydrophilic capillary passageway for transferring said uniform volume of said liquid sample from said segment to a first reagent well; and

(c) a hydrophilic capillary stop disposed within said transfer hydrophilic capillary passageway for preventing transfer of said uniform sample volume until the resistance of said stop is overcome by a means for applying force other than centrifugal force.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) A device of Claim 1 further comprising at least one second reagent well in liquid communication through a hydrophilic capillary passageway with said first reagent well.

6. (Previously Presented) A device of Claim 5 further comprising at least one third reagent well in liquid communication through a hydrophilic capillary passageway with at least one of said second reagent wells of Claim 5.